The Gant County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on Monday, September 19, 2005, at 7:00 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse in Williamstown, Kentucky 41097, with Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, Present; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Present; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Present, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, Present and Presiding.

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Judge Link opened in prayer and then led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were: Clark Kinman-Cable TV, and James Perkins. Judge Link updated that Bernard Mardis was not present due to having surgery and we wish him a speedy recovery.

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Motion of Patricia Conrad and seconded by Kenny Messer it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of the September 06, 2005, meeting as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link updated that the Fiscal Court had held a Special Meeting on September 12, 2005, to approve a Contract with CSX Transportation regarding the Eagle Tunnel Bridge and stated those minutes needed to be approved also.

Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Patricia Conrad it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2005, meeting as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the Claims in the General Expense Fund, Road Fund, Jail Fund, and L.G.E.A. Fund for the month of September, 2005, along with

the transfers needed to pay said claims. He asked if there were any questions about them. Motion of Patricia Conrad and seconded by Kenny Messer it is hereby ordered to approve Claims No. 01-0290 thru 01-0354 in the amount of \$72,612.71 paid out of the General Expense Fund; Claims No. 02-0106 thru 02-0127 in the amount of \$46,429.30 paid out of the Road Fund; Claims No. 03-0107 thru 03-0148 in the amount of \$68,477.98 paid out of the Jail Fund, and Claim No. 04-000001 in the amount of \$1,500.00 paid out of the L.G.E.A. Fund, for the month of September, 2005, along with the transfers presented to pay said claims.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell L. Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented the Building Inspector's Report for August 2005. It is as follows: No action is required.

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Judge Link presented for review and action the Request and Recommendation of Sheriff Randy Middleton to hire Lee T. Jacobs as Grant County Deputy Sheriff effective September 23, 2005, at a Salary of \$29,000.00 plus KLEFPF pay. It is as follows:

Motion of Patricia Conrad and seconded by Kenny Messer it is hereby ordered to approve the Request and Recommendation of Sheriff Randy Middleton and to hire Lee T. Jacobs as Grant County Deputy Sheriff effective September 23, 2005, at a Salary of \$29,000.00 plus KLEFPF pay as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell L. Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented the County Treasurer's Monthly Cash Position Report for August

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Judge Link presented for review and action Resolution WX21081015 Accepting the \$600,000.00 KIA Grant, Approving the Grant Agreement, Authorizing the Amendment of Local Budget, and Authorizing a Representative (Judge/Executive) to Sign all Related Documents for the Water Line Extension, Phase 8, Bullock Pen Water District. It is as follows: He explained that we are in construction now on Lawrenceville Road, Juett Road, Chapman Road, Reed Kinman Road and are about to move to the Jonesville area and this will allow us to receive the money to pay for this project. Magistrate Austin stated that he had received a call from Pete Roland and that he was upset because they had been laying pipe on Juett Road and was almost finished, but they had come in and moved all of the pipe to Chapman Road. Judge Link updated that he also had received a call from Mr. Roland and that he had made some phone calls to see what was going on and had tried to call Magistrate Austin to let him know what was taking place but had not been able to reach him. He stated that he had talked to Bullock Pen Water District and found out that there were two different types of pipe being used, and that they had run out of the pipe being put in on Juett Road, so they moved their materials and manpower to Chapman Road, but different pipe was being put in on Chapman Road. Evidently the pipe needed had to come from somewhere in New Orleans and with the hurricane disaster down there, no one knew when the pipe would be delivered, so they were just trying to save time and had moved to Chapman Road to work there until the pipe came in. He said that he had called Mrs. Roland back and informed her as to what was taking place and she seemed to understand what was going on after he explained the situation to her. Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Patricia Conrad it is hereby ordered to

approve Resolution WX21081015 Accepting the Grant, Approving the Grant Agreement, Authorizing the Amendment of Local Budget, and Authorizing a Representative (Judge/Executive) to Sign all Related Documents for the \$600,000.00 KIA Grant for Bullock Pen Water District's Phase 8 Waterline Project as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link opened up discussion for the "Good of the County". He said that anyone could address the Court at this time. No one did. Magistrate Conrad commended Marylee and Mike Willoby for going down to Louisiana and doing a job no one else would do. Marylee said that it is worse than you can imagine. Judge Link said that there was a lot of devastation down there and he is sure it is indescribable. He feels that we had a good response from our community thus far. One thing we will have to remember in the community even though it is no longer played on the TV 24 hours a day 7 days a week and sometimes we may tend to forget that devastation occurred, it is going to take a few months, maybe a few years, to reconstruct that area and get those people back on their feet. This country, as well as countries all over the world, has responded with materials, goods and pledges of all kinds, and the logistics down there, they don't have enough warehouses to store everything, and so he feels there might be some discouragement everywhere because they are turning trucks away and just can't receive everything, but those are some logistical issues. It is going to be an ongoing effort rebuilding that entire area that has been devastated by that incident. We have responded well, but we are going to rest for a little while now and then see what the next step is and

when the next step should occur, but again on behalf of this Court and the people in the Gulf States he wanted to thank everyone in this community for their response thus far. Several tractor trailers were sent down there and has been received and made to good use. and he is sure it is extremely appreciated by everyone that just had a total loss. Their world was shaken up and this compassion and kindness will never, ever, ever be forgotten. He said that is one of the nicest things about living here in Grant County. The people care, and that is one of the nicest things about having the opportunity to serve people in the capacity that they have given us, is that people care and it therefore inspires us to do a little better. Magistrate Austin updated that the Pendleton County Fiscal Court had been down there and been involved since they knew firsthand what these people were going thru. Updates were given on several incidents that were seen on the TV, one about a small child who's feet had been in a lot of water and was in bad shape, and one about a 78 year old man who had gone several days without food and he just wanted to stop at Taco Bell and get something to eat. It was said that he would probably be on a Taco Bell commercial in the future.

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Judge Link reminded Fiscal Court that the next Caucus meeting will be on Monday, September 26, 2005, at 5:30 P.M., and that the next meeting of the Fiscal Court will be on Monday, October 03, 2005, at 7:00 P.M.

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Motion of Patricia Conrad and seconded by Richard Austin it is hereby ordered to Adjourn until Monday, October 03, 2005, at 7:00 P.M.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Patricia Conrad, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Kenny Messer, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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GRANT COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE